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Lastly, Mr. A. R. Sawyer gave an account of the geology of Chunies Poort, Zoutpansberg, Transvaal. Incidentally, he mentioned some old copper workings where native copper occurs in some abundance in dolomite.

THE Naturwissenschaftliche Verein at Karlsruhe has, thanks to a considerable legacy, been placed in a position to establish two new stations for seismic observations, the one in an underground passage at Turmberg, near Durlach, the other in Freiburg.

THE London *Times* states that a large company assembled in the Oxford University Museum on May 31 at the annual *conversazione* of the Junior Scientific Club. An attractive program had been arranged. Professor E. B. Poulton, F.R.S., delivered a lecture on 'Some Recent Work on Protective Resemblance and Mimicry in Insects,' and Dr. A. E. Tutton displayed some of his latest lantern slides of Alpine scenery. There were demonstrations of the properties of radium and spinning tops, experiments on color, and an exhibition of thermit and high temperatures, which included the making of artificial diamonds. Messrs. Zeiss exhibited their instrument for seeing ultra-microscopic particles, and there was a working installation of wireless telegraphy. The Pitt-Rivers Museum was thrown open, and music was provided by the band of the Grenadier Guards.

Nature says that under the name of the 'Potentia Organization,' an international association has been formed with the object of establishing among nations a mutual relationship and cooperation for the diffusion of accurate information and unbiased opinion concerning international events and movements, and to combat narrow, prejudiced, and often interested views and news that contribute so much to international mistrust and misunderstanding. It is proposed to publish throughout the world, through the medium of newspapers and reviews, statements of simple fact and expressions of opinion by eminent public men of all nations on all important political, social, philosophical, economic, scientific and artistic questions, to present the sincere views of experts on all current international events, and to refute false or biased news and views calculated to spread error and to endanger the peace and progress of the world.

UNIVERSITY AND EDUCATIONAL NEWS.

AT the commencement of Princeton University it was announced that an annual income of $100,000 had been guaranteed for the preceptorial system, that $300,000 had been given for a recitation hall and that 336 acres of land had been added to the property of the university.

MR. MORRIS L. CLOTHIER, of Philadelphia, has given $50,000 to Swarthmore College, to endow a professorship of physics.

THE library building of Vassar College, erected by Mrs. F. F. Thompson, of New York, at a cost of $500,000 was dedicated last week.

DR. A. W. HARRIS, director of the Jacob Tome Institute, and previously director of the Office of Experiment Stations of the Department of Agriculture, has been elected president of Northwestern University.

MR. HENRY S. DRINKER, general solicitor of the Lehigh Valley Railroad, has been elected president of Lehigh University, to succeed the late Dr. Thomas Messinger Drown.

DR. CHARLES HENRY SMYTH, professor of geology at Hamilton College, has been elected professor of geology at Princeton University.

DR. NICHOLAS SENN has been elected professor of surgery and Dr. Frank Billings professor of medicine at the University of Chicago.

DR. H. K. WOLFE, formerly professor of philosophy at the University of Nebraska and recently principal of the Lincoln High School, has been elected professor of philosophy and education at the University of Montana.

MR. W. L. HALL, of the U. S. Bureau of Forestry, has been appointed lecturer on tree planting at Yale University.

IVAN E. WALLIN, B.S. (University of Iowa, '05), has been elected professor of natural history in Upsala College, New Orange, N. J. He has been specializing in the biological sciences at Augustana, Princeton and Iowa during the last three years.